

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. – 5. (Canceled)

6. (New) A container for liquid or semi-liquid food products, comprising a hollow body provided with an upper closing element near the neck, an open lower base and a closing element adapted to close said base only after the filling phases, so that two or more of said containers can be stacked via the open base prior to said filling phases, said filling phases being performed via said base and with the container turned upside down, wherein once the food product contained in said container has been consumed, said base can be completely eliminated, so that one or more containers can be stacked again.

7. (New) The container according to claim 6, wherein said base can be completely eliminated by exerting a pressure on one side of the closing element so as to create an aperture.

8. (New) The container according to claim 6, wherein the body is substantially in the form of a prism, a cylinder, a truncated cone, or a truncated pyramid, in which the side walls are arranged slightly tapering towards the top, so as to facilitate stacking of two or more containers.

9. (New) The container according to claim 6, wherein the upper part of the container, at the level of the inlet of the neck, is provided with a flat part comprising a pre-punched tab protected by a removable cap.

10. (New) The container according to claim 6, wherein the element for closing the base is applied and heat-sealed onto the base by means of specific equipment, once the container has been filled with a liquid food product.